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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Tsumori

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For: *Substrate for Perpendicular Magnetic Recording Hard Disk Medium and Method for Producing the Same*

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Commissioner for Patents

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sirs:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Applicants provide the present Amendment pursuant to the rules stated in revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121 that became effective on July 30, 2003.